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REMARKS

Claims 1, 6-7, and 14 have been amended, and new claims 15-18 have been added. The title has also been amended. Thus, claims 1-18 are presently pending in this application.

The title has been amended responsive to the Examiner's objection, which should now be moot.

The Buttet publication discloses, in essence, a modular computer, comprising a first element 2, functioning as a central processing unit for storing and executing computer programs, a second element 3 comprising a data input device, and preferably comprising a mobile phone, and a third element 12, comprising a display means. This system is really nothing different than conventional personal computing systems, except that the inventor is recommending the usage of a telephone set as the display unit. The Thompson patent discloses a wireless adapter device for converting signals from a mobile phone to a computer modem, which is really unrelated to the present invention. The Hack patent discloses a collapsible display and a communication device for use as a hand-held communication device, activatable by touch or voice.

In contrast, the present invention is really the adaptation of a mobile phone for use as the central processing unit in a mobile data processing system. Necessary to this adaptation, because of the small display screen available on typical mobile phones, is the usage of a sidekick display screen for amplifying the image displayed to the user. Of course, to accomplish this function, it is necessary to convert and/or enlarge the regular internet HTML contents transmitted from the mobile phone to the sidekick display, via graphic processing and software data conversions.

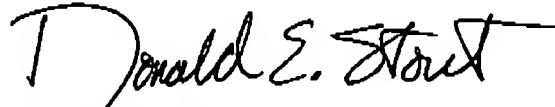
In particular, the present invention differs from the Buttet system in that the sidekick display claimed by Applicant does not include a computing function, except perhaps for graphical data conversion functions. There is no need for a central unit 2, as is employed in the Buttet system, since the mobile phone is programmed to perform necessary central processing functions.

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Referring in particular to claim 1, as amended, Buttet does not disclose or suggest a system wherein the mobile communications device functions as the central data processor for the mobile system, as now recited in the claim. Moreover, the Thompson et al. and Hack et al. patents do not supply the missing teachings. Thus, claims 1-6 and new claim 15 are clearly patentable over the prior art of record. Similarly, method claim 7 now also more particularly recites that the mobile communications device functions as a central processing unit for the mobile communications device. Accordingly, method claims 7-14 and new claim 16 are also patentable over the prior art of record. Finally, new claim 17 is similar to claim 1, but specifically recites that the claimed system does not include a central unit separate from the mobile communications device. Since Buttet specifically discloses unit 2, claim 17, and claim 18, dependent thereon, is clearly patentable over the Buttet reference.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are allowable over the prior art of record, and that the application is thus in condition for allowance, an early notification of which is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the number below, should any further questions or issues need to be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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